

# SOME FACTS

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Important Information for Alberta Electors

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## TREES FOR THE PRAIRIE REGION

The so-called drouth areas of Southeastern Alberta, Southern Saskatchewan and Manitoba have been receiving the combined attention of the Provincial and Dominion Governments, the purpose being to try to formulate some plans, first to increase the rainfall; and second to utilize that rainfall in such a way as to give lasting benefit to the whole area.

The present plans include the planting of windbreaks and shelter belts, and the damming of streams, particularly to catch the spring run offs or heavy rains.

Robert Gardiner, M.P. for Acadia, having farmed for many years in that district, is well fitted to give advice on such matters and has been well to the fore in the discussions at Ottawa.

And what have our Provincial Government been doing?

The U.F.A. Government have realized the seriousness of this matter for many years and have arranged for the construction of many dams. But it is with regard to windbreaks and shelter belts that the Government have devoted particular attention.

Realising the incalculable value of trees in the prairie regions, the Government years ago encouraged tree planting by the free distribution of thousands of native trees, assisted by expert advice on kinds of trees most suited and methods of planting and caring for them. The Department of Agriculture have distributed thousands of bulletins on tree planting and district agriculturists have given a lot of effort along this line.

To give your readers some idea of the extent of this service I am quoting below the number and kind of trees that were available for distribution from the Oliver Farm this year. The figures were given to the Legislature on April 2nd, 1935, in answer to a question by H. J. Montgomery, M.L.A., Wetaskiwin.

Question: What varieties of trees and shrubs are grown at Oliver for free distribution, and what is the approximate number of each variety available for distribution this spring?

Answer:

White Spruce.....	110,000
Jack Pine.....	500
Lodgepole Pine.....	400
Russian Poplar.....	1,300
Siberian Larch.....	650
Burr Oak.....	1,070
White Elm.....	400
Green Ash.....	8,490
 Total.....	 123,810

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**VOTE FOR THE U.F.A. CANDIDATE**

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